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INDIANA'S GUIDE TO STUDENT SUCCESS GRADES 6-8

What's Inside:

Your guide to...

- Planning
- Preparing
- Paying

for college and career success

I want to be
a nurse

Emili is in eighth
grade at Tell City
Jr.-Sr. High in
Tell City, Ind.

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Welcome to **LEARN MORE**

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Dear Indiana Student,

Welcome to *LEARN MORE*! This is the guide to **your** future. Working hard and taking the right steps now is the only way to achieve your dreams.

Ready to succeed in school and life? Then crack open this issue of *LEARN MORE* and read all about how to:

- **PLAN** the college and career path that's right for you,
- **PREPARE** for your career now and
- **PAY** for your college education!

Don't forget, you can also connect to great—and free!—college and career resources during Indiana's annual student success campaigns: **College GO! Week** (August through November), **Cash for College** (December through March) and **Career Ready** (April through July). Find out more at LearnMoreIndiana.org.

Have a great school year!



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State of Indiana



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DID YOU KNOW?

Governor Pence and Commissioner Lubbers attended Indiana University. Superintendent Ritz attended Ball State University. Check out the map on the back cover to see if these colleges are close to your hometown.

Checklist

Nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of all new jobs require education beyond high school.*

Plan

- ☐ **Visit** a college campus. Explore your options at CollegeGoWeekIndiana.org.
- ☐ **Job shadow** a family member or another career professional in your community for a day and discover which careers you enjoy.
- ☐ **Read** about college majors and related careers. Get started at LearnMoreIndiana.org/colleges.

Prepare

- ☐ **Start** your high school Graduation Plan. Talk to your school counselor, or sign up for the online version at LearnMoreIndiana.org/careerexplorer.
- ☐ **Read** for fun. It'll increase your vocabulary!
- ☐ **Challenge** yourself to do your best this school year. Study harder, get involved in school activities and turn in your homework on time.

Pay

- ☐ **Contribute** to a tax-free Indiana CollegeChoice 529 Savings Plan at LearnMoreIndiana.org/529.
- ☐ **Get involved** in an extracurricular or service activity to boost your scholarship chances.
- ☐ **Enroll** in 21st Century Scholars in seventh or eighth grade if you're eligible. See Scholars.IN.gov.



Ayanna practices her cooking skills on her family. She's in seventh grade at Wirt/Emerson Visual & Performing Arts Academy in Gary, Ind.

On the cover and on the pages that follow, *LEARN MORE* features real Indiana students. Learn more about Emili on the cover on page 5.

* Source: Indiana Commission for Higher Education

PLAN

Where are you going in life? Take hold of your future and start planning for success in college and beyond.



Brenna is in seventh grade at Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School in Tell City, Ind.

The Future Belongs to You

How much do you know about your future? Brenna, who's in seventh grade, is already learning about her future career. She wants to major in computer science in college. In school, she's taken the chance to do some web development for class, and she loves learning about math. She's also looking into her college options.

Although Brenna might change her mind later—and you might, too—the most important thing is to plan for a future that will take you where you want to go.

An education beyond high school is much more important than it was for your parents' generation. Nearly two-thirds of all new jobs will require some form of education beyond high school. Start thinking about the college degree that matches your future goals: one-year certificate, two-year associate degree, apprenticeship, four-year bachelor's degree or even a postgraduate degree (after a bachelor's).

Need more reasons why a college education is your ticket to success? There are hundreds of reasons, but here are just a few:

Reason #1

You'll make more money. Full-time workers with a college degree earn \$20,000 more each year on average than those with just a high school diploma. As a college grad, you'll make \$1 million more over the course of your career!

Reason #2

You're more likely to get (and keep) a job. Unemployment rates for college graduates are about half that of high school graduates even during a recession. And, unlike a home or car, a college degree is yours for a lifetime.

Reason #3

You'll live a healthier, fuller life. College grads are more likely to volunteer, vote and see the world. They're also less likely to smoke, be obese or have low-birth-weight babies. - - - - -

PARENTS and TEACHERS:

Connect with Learn More Indiana across the state!

Find out about local events and resources by joining your county's College Success Coalition (more info at LearnMoreIndiana.org/coalitions). You can also request a college prep speaker through our Speakers Bureau at LearnMoreIndiana.org/speakers. Or, sign up to be a speaker yourself and help students plan, prepare and pay for college and career success at any age!



► Bonus Reason:

Indiana is counting on you. At least 60 percent of all Hoosiers must have a college degree or quality credential by 2025 for Indiana to thrive in a global economy. That means we need at least 60,000 more college graduates each year over the next decade.

If you choose a career that is in high demand in Indiana, you might qualify for extra money for college. For example, Indiana offers special stipends for minority teachers and those who teach in high need areas, like math and science.

- Kicks off each fall to help you **plan** for college and beyond
- Find college admissions requirements, explore your education options, and learn how to succeed at every stage
- Visit **CollegeGoWeekIndiana.org** for tips, contests and more!

COLLEGE GO! WEEK INDIANA.org

What's it Take?

The average length of education after high school for some common careers:

Doctor = about 11 years (including residency at a hospital or clinic) = doctorate degree

Graphic Designer = four years = bachelor's degree

Health Information Manager = two years = associate degree

Plumber = about four years = certification/apprenticeship

Psychologist or Counselor = six years = master's degree

Teacher = four years = bachelor's degree

Student Snapshot

EMILI

Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School, Tell City, Ind.

Emili is in eighth grade. She's planning a career in nursing. To become a registered nurse, you should plan to:

- ❑ **Excel in science classes. Take health science classes in middle and high school if you can.**
- ❑ **Earn a four-year bachelor's degree in nursing.**
- ❑ **Volunteer at a hospital or nursing home.**



Name: _____

Grad Plan Mapping

Before you start high school, you'll create a high school Graduation Plan that maps out your expected diploma, courses you'll take and other things that will help you on the road to college and a career. Get a head start by brainstorming about these relevant questions.

Career Options

List up to three careers (such as engineer) or career fields (such as health science).

Education Options

Based on your career interests, which education option is best for you?

Hint: If you aren't sure, a four-year bachelor's degree is your best bet.

- ☐ One-year workforce certificate
- ☐ Bachelor's Degree (4 years)
- ☐ Master's or Doctorate Degree (2-7 years after a bachelor's)
- ☐ Associate Degree (2 years)
- ☐ Apprenticeship (varies; often 3-5 years)

High School Courses

One of the best things about high school is the wide range of classes available. **Double circle** the ones that will help you reach your college and career goals. **Circle once** the classes you'd like to take if you have room in your schedule.

Hint: Advanced Placement (AP) and dual-credit classes can help boost your chances of getting into selective colleges, but you should also take classes that will help you learn about your future career.

AP English	Dual-credit Economics	Band	French	AP Chemistry
Sculpture	World History	Speech	Geometry	Automotive Collision Repair
Food Science	Aerospace Engineering	Journalism	Poetry	Spanish
AP Physics	German	Medical Terminology		Welding
Cosmetology	Dual-credit Psychology	Dual-credit Calculus		Theater
Photography	U.S. History	Computer Programming		
Other: _____		Other: _____		Other: _____

DREAM BIG!

← What do you think you'll like most about high school?

What do you think you'll like most about college?

YOUR OPTIONS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

Did you know most Indiana college students aren't living on campus at a four-year college like Indiana University or Ball State University? **"Going to college"** can look very different than in the past. The important thing to remember is that your **postsecondary (after high school) education** needs to match the type of career you want.

The Option	The Requirements	Career Examples
Two-year (or Community) College Degree: Associate degree (two years) or certificate (one year). Tip: You can start at a community college and then transfer to a four-year college to save money.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High school diploma or TASC (formerly GED). Placement tests to determine where you should start. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automotive Technician Dental Hygienist Information Systems Technician
Four-year College (and Beyond) Degree: Bachelor's degree (four years). After that, you are eligible to earn a master's degree (two additional years) or a doctorate degree (four+ additional years). Tips: If you don't know which career is in your future, a four-year degree opens up the most options. You can earn college credits in high school (through dual-credit or AP courses) to save time and money later.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core 40 diploma. Many Indiana colleges now require the Core 40 diploma with Academic or Technical Honors. Extracurricular activities. Good grades. Many colleges expect a GPA at or above 3.0 (out of 4.0). Tough classes. Advanced Placement (AP) or dual-credit courses look good on your high school transcript. SAT and/or ACT scores. Take these college admissions tests your junior year so you can try again your senior year if you don't do well the first time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Entrepreneur Chemist Counselor (master's degree) Engineer Graphic Designer Medical doctor (doctorate degree) Teacher
Apprenticeship (On-the-Job Training) Credential: Workforce certificate, usually recognized by an industry association, and sometimes a professional license. Tips: An apprenticeship is a sweet deal because you'll work (and get paid) while you are in classes. Apprenticeship programs usually take two to five years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High school diploma. For some careers, a Core 40 diploma with Technical Honors will increase your chances of getting in. WorkKeys test results. Your counselor can help you sign up. Good grades in math classes, if the career uses math (like plumber or electrician). You can earn the lowest level of certification in some fields while in high school. Ask your counselor for details. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cement Mason Electrician Hair Stylist or Nail Technician HVAC (heating, ventilation and air-conditioning) Specialist
Military Options Credential: Often, an associate or bachelor's degree. Tips: If you enlist, the military will often pay for your college education either during or after your service. If you join a program such as ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corp), you can attend a four-year college for any career on scholarship, and then serve in the military for a set time period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical fitness. Clean background check. No tattoos below elbow. ASVAB scores (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) to determine your career path within the military. If you're enrolling in a college during or after your time in the military, college requirements apply. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Civil Engineer Computer Programmer Environmental Surveyor Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Financial Analyst Security Officer
Proprietary (For-Profit) College Degree: Varies. Many offer one- or two-year degrees, but some offer bachelor's or master's degrees. Tips: Proprietary colleges are private businesses. Since they don't get public funding, they often cost more than public two- or four-year colleges. They may have either national or regional accreditation, or none at all. Credits from regionally-accredited schools may transfer more easily. To find out about a school's accreditation, check out IN.gov/bpe .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varies, but most prefer a high school diploma or TASC (formerly GED). You may also have to take a placement test for the school to determine at which level you should start. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accountant Chef Court Reporter Echocardiographer Funeral Home Director Office Assistant Pharmacy Technician Veterinary Assistant

Learn More Online



Learn

LearnMoreIndiana.org/colleges
See how your career goals line up with degrees offered at Indiana colleges.



Explore

CollegeGoWeekIndiana.org
Explore your college options and learn more about planning for college now.



Find

LearnMoreIndiana.org/hot50
Find information and videos from professionals in the 50 fastest-growing careers in Indiana.

PREPARE

Middle School Matters!

M eet Kyle. He's a senior at Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School, where he made a name for himself as the president of the drama club and a trombone player in the marching band (which he says spends more time outside than the football team!). But Kyle's real accomplishment is securing a great future for himself with the U.S. Navy, and it all started in middle school.

Make a Plan

Kyle started planning his high school career in eighth grade. He made a Grad Plan to help him stay on track to earn a Core 40 diploma with Academic Honors. His dedication to pursuing challenging classes has paid off. Kyle scored so high on the ASVAB (or the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, the test all military applicants take) that any job in the Navy was open to him. Kyle signed up for 18 weeks of intensive training as an operations specialist. He'll assist with navigation, radar, cartography and missile control.

Work Hard – and Smart

Kyle says learning to ask questions was one of the best lessons he's taken away from high school. If you miss an important point in class, you might be behind for weeks. Kyle says answering questions and focusing on the teacher is important, too. He also recommends creating a smart schedule so you're not taking all your hardest subjects at the same time.

Take a Hold of Your Future

Figuring out what he wanted to do didn't happen overnight for Kyle, and it won't for you, either. Kyle did a lot of career research before deciding his interest in military intelligence was best suited for the Navy. And his story isn't over yet. After his first five years, Kyle could go to college for a different career—and the Navy will pay for it. Or, he could choose to continue specialized training and rise in the ranks in the Navy.



Where are **you** going?

Where are you going?



- Launches every spring to help you **prepare** for your career.
- Experience a career, build your resume and learn about your career choices.
- Visit CareerReadyIndiana.org for internship resources, career games, and more!

CAREERREADYINDIANA.org

LEARN THE LINGO HIGH SCHOOL TERMS

Take advantage of more challenging courses in high school. They'll open the door to more options after high school, plus your new skills may help you pick a career.

Advanced Placement (AP) — College-level courses offered in high school. If you score well on AP exams, you may receive college credit.

Dual-credit courses — College courses taught in high school, at local colleges and online that provide both high school and college credit. Before signing up for a dual-credit course, find out how it will transfer. Classes from the Core Transfer Library (TransferIN.net) will be accepted by all of Indiana's public colleges and universities if you earn an adequate grade.

International Baccalaureate (IB) — A high school program that requires completion of rigorous courses across all disciplines, often including foreign languages. Not all schools offer this program.

Remember — Earning college credits in high school can save you money. If you receive state financial aid, staying on track with credit requirements helps you stay eligible for more money. You can earn an accelerated bonus of \$1,300 if you have extra credits by the end of your first year of college.

Student Snapshot

GARRETT

Avon Middle School North, Avon, Ind.

Garrett is in seventh grade and thinks he'd like engineering because he enjoys math. If you want to be an engineer, too, you can prepare when you:

- Take tough math classes.
- Find an engineer to job shadow.
- Read about the many types of engineers. You can start at LearnMoreIndiana.org/prepare.



Name: _____

Decode Your Future!

There are many ways to connect your interests to specific careers. One way is the RIASEC code—a three-letter code that's unique to you. Learn more about your RIASEC code at LearnMoreIndiana.org/riasec. You can also take a longer online assessment.

Check the three things that most appeal to you:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking (R) | <input type="checkbox"/> Following directions to build something (C) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solving mysteries (I) | <input type="checkbox"/> Designing a logo or book cover (A) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solving math problems (C) | <input type="checkbox"/> Helping a classmate with homework (S) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Being on stage! (singing or acting) (A) | <input type="checkbox"/> Figuring out what materials you need for a project (I) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Setting up your own business (E) | <input type="checkbox"/> Talking with friends (S) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taking care of a pet (R) | <input type="checkbox"/> Leading an after-school club (E) |

Then, write the three letters following your activities in the blanks below:

MY CODE IS _____ .

Read about sample careers for each letter below.

Realistic

You're practical, and like hands-on problems and solutions.

- Airline pilot
- Athletic trainer
- Construction manager
- Dentist
- Park naturalist

Investigative

You like working with ideas. An ideal job is mentally challenging.

- Computer programmer
- Detective
- Financial analyst
- Lawyer
- Scientist

Artistic

Self-expression is important to you. You might like working with forms, designs or patterns.

- Advertising manager
- Architect
- Elementary school teacher
- Graphic designer
- Producer

Social

You love people, whether working with them, teaching them or helping them.

- Coach
- Nurse
- Nutritionist
- School counselor
- Social worker

Enterprising

You like starting up new projects, and you might not mind taking a risk.

- Event planner
- Politician
- Real estate agent
- Sales director
- Small business owner

Conventional

You're most comfortable with set procedures. You might be very good at details and decoding data.

- Accountant
- Bank teller
- City planner
- Librarian
- Social science researcher

Visit LearnMoreIndiana.org/riasec to take a longer RIASEC quiz!

COUNT ON CORE 40!

By eighth grade, you will create a Graduation Plan that outlines your diploma goal for high school. You'll choose which classes to take and make sure you have enough credits to graduate.

In Indiana, all students have to complete Core 40—a set of courses that provide you with a solid foundation for college, career and life—to graduate.* No matter which diploma you earn, the tougher your courses and the higher your GPA, the more options you'll have after high school.

Learn more about all your diploma options at LearnMoreIndiana.org.

The Diploma

The Requirements

Core 40

Indiana's college-and-career-ready diploma. Prepare for the future with a solid curriculum focused on the skills you need to succeed.

Note—One credit equals one semester (fall/spring)

- 8 credits of English/Language Arts
- 6 credits of Mathematics
- 6 credits of Science
- 6 credits of Social Studies
- 5 credits of Directed Electives (World Languages, Fine Arts or Career/Technical Education)
- 2 credits of Physical Education
- 1 credit of Health and Wellness
- 6 credits of Electives (College and Career Pathway courses recommended)

Core 40 with Academic Honors (or Academic Honors Diploma, AHD)

Shoot for the stars! It's always easier to go back to a Core 40 than it is to try to add Honors classes later. This diploma is required or recommended by nearly all Indiana four-year colleges.

All Core 40 courses, plus:

- 2 credits of Mathematics
- 6-8 credits of World Language (counts toward Directed Electives)
- 2 credits of Fine Art (counts toward Directed Electives)
- A grade of "C" or better in all courses that count toward the diploma
- A grade point average (GPA) of "B" or better
- Additional evidence of being college-ready, such as completing Advanced Placement (AP) courses with exams or International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma courses with exams; earning a high score on the SAT or ACT; or earning college credits in dual-credit courses. See LearnMoreIndiana.org/core40 for details.

Core 40 with Technical Honors (or Technical Honors Diploma, THD)

Love working with your hands or performing other technical work? Get a jumpstart on your career by earning a Technical Honors Diploma (perfect preparation for an apprenticeship or a technical college degree). Plus, you have the chance to earn certification and on-the-job experience while in high school.

All Core 40 courses, plus:

- 6 credits in a College & Career Pathway
- Industry-recognized certification or 6 college credits from dual-credit courses
- A grade of "C" or better in all courses that count toward the diploma
- A grade point average (GPA) of "B" or better
- Additional evidence of being college- or career-ready, including the Academic Honors options for being college-ready; high scores on WorkKeys; or high scores on Compass. See LearnMoreIndiana.org/core40 for details.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

Prepare intellectually, socially and mentally for today's rapidly-globalizing world with courses in language, business and more. You'll enter the IB program in eleventh and twelfth grade.

All Core 40 courses, plus:

- IB courses and exams
- Talk to your counselor to see which courses will be offered at your high school and how many of them you will have to take to earn an IB diploma.

**Note: Indiana also provides a General Diploma for students whose parents, teachers and counselors agree that the Core 40 is not their best option.*

Learn More Online



Learn

CareerReadyIndiana.org

Learn about careers and the steps you'll take to prepare for your future.



Explore

LearnMoreIndiana.org/careerexplorer

Create an account to access your online Grad Plan, take career interest inventories and more.



Find

LearnMoreIndiana.org/k12

Take a learning style assessment, find links to learning activities and more.

PAY

Pay for College Now!

College may seem like a long way off, but the decisions you make now will impact your ability to pay for college later.

Ebenezer is a sophomore at Wirt/Emerson Visual & Performing Arts Academy in Gary, Ind. One decision he made in middle school is making all the difference now. He signed up to be part of Indiana's 21st Century Scholars Program and made a commitment to keep his grades up. Through high school, he's continued to excel in school. He's kept his pledge of good citizenship and taken required college preparation steps. He's well on his way to earning four years of tuition at an Indiana college!

There are lots of ways you can start to pay for college today, too. Check out the 21st Century Scholar requirements on page 15, but also:

Excel.

Learn what it takes to earn scholarships. Grades are always important, but you also need to excel in extracurricular activities, volunteering or leadership opportunities. Ebenezer dreams of being a lawyer, but he's also perfected his skills with the saxophone. Colleges prefer students with several interests and talents.

Save.

A little goes a long way! The earlier you start saving, the more interest will pile up in your bank account. Learn more about tax-free CollegeChoice 529 Savings Plans at LearnMoreIndiana.org/529.

Budget.

You won't have anything to save if you don't keep track of your spending. Small decisions—like reserving candy and soda purchases for special occasions—matter a lot. Even if you earn scholarships for college, you may still need to pay for rent, food and other expenses. Learn more about budgeting at CashForCollegeIndiana.org.

Know.

It helps to know your goal. Visit the Indiana College Costs Estimator with your parents to get an estimated cost of attending any Indiana college. The Estimator will predict how much money you'll get in financial aid from each college. Check it out at LearnMoreIndiana.org/costs.

Ebenezer is a sophomore in Gary, Ind., but his road to college began in middle school.



Don't wait until you're a senior in high school to start thinking about how to pay for college. You can start working on earning scholarships now. Your choices—in school and after school—will all pay off in real dollars for college. Find out more about common financial aid terms:

Financial aid – Any money you receive to help pay for college. To qualify for most sources of aid, you'll have to file the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) by **March 10** of your senior year in high school.

Merit-based financial aid – Scholarships or grants based on a special accomplishment including good grades. Boost your chances now! Take leadership roles. Volunteer. Excel in a sport, music or hobby. And study hard! All Indiana grants require you to stay on track towards college completion and to meet grade requirements.

Need-based financial aid – Scholarships or grants based on your need. Need is usually based on your family's income. You may also qualify if you are a foster child or minority. Indiana has stipends for minority students in some careers. See IN.gov/sfa for more information.

Scholarships and grants – Money for college that you don't have to pay back. This money can come from your college, the state or federal government, nonprofit organizations, your community foundation, businesses, your high school and other sources.

Student loans – Money you borrow for college and have to pay back, plus interest, after you graduate. If you must use loans, choose federal loans (from the federal government, with lower interest rates and favorable repayment options). Private loans (from private banks or companies) are more expensive.

Your eligibility starts now! You can earn more money for college from Indiana if you earn an honors diploma, for example. You'll need to create your Graduation Plan in eighth grade. You can also earn the Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship (about \$4,000) if you graduate early—another decision you'll need to make before high school starts. And don't forget that you may qualify for the 21st Century Scholars Program (page 15), which begins in middle school.

Visit IN.gov/sfa to learn about other Indiana scholarships and grants, including the Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship.

Student Snapshot

JACQULYN

Jacquelyn is in her third year of college. She is a 21st Century Scholar. In exchange for keeping her grades up, Jacquelyn receives free tuition from the state of Indiana!

College: IUPUI (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis)

Major: Elementary Education

Degree: Bachelor's degree (four years)

Future career: Kindergarten teacher

Jacquelyn's advice: Visit college campuses before you apply!



Name: _____

Financial Aid Quiz

Quizzical about your financial aid knowledge?
Find out how much you know!

- 1. When should you enroll in 21st Century Scholars if your family is income-eligible?**
 - a. In 6th grade
 - b. In 7th or 8th grade
 - c. As a high school freshman
- 2. True or false: It matters which high school diploma you earn. An honors diploma can help you earn more money for college.**
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 3. When should you file the FAFSA for the first time?**
 - a. As a high school freshman, after March 10
 - b. As a high school senior, before March 10
 - c. As soon as possible
- 4. How can you find out if you qualify for a federal loan from the federal government?**
 - a. Google it
 - b. File the FAFSA
 - c. Email the White House
- 5. How can you earn the Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship?**
 - a. Make a high school Graduation Plan
 - b. Plan now to graduate high school in three years
 - c. Earn a Core 40 or honors diploma
 - d. All of the above
- 6. Which requirement is most likely to apply to need-based financial aid?**
 - a. Your intended college major
 - b. Family income
 - c. Leadership role in an after-school club
- 7. True or false: There are scholarships open only to biology majors.**
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 8. True or false: Colleges care about your overall GPA and which specific classes you take. You should challenge yourself.**
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 9. Which requirement is most likely to apply to merit-based financial aid?**
 - a. Minority status
 - b. Community service
 - c. Family income

Answers

1. c
2. a
3. b
4. b
5. d
6. b
7. b
8. a
9. c

BECOME A 21ST CENTURY SCHOLAR

Indiana's 21st Century Scholars Program helps income-eligible students **earn up to four years of tuition at an eligible Indiana college** (public or private). To qualify, students must enroll as Scholars in seventh or eighth grade. Scholars fulfill a pledge of good citizenship and participate in a **Scholar Success Program** that helps them plan, prepare and pay for college completion and career success. Scholars also must earn at least a Core 40 diploma and achieve a 2.5 GPA upon high school graduation.

But first you have to apply. Complete the online application by **June 30** of your eighth-grade year. For income guidelines or to apply online, visit **Scholars.IN.gov**. You can also ask your school counselor for more information on the program.



Jaelynn is a 21st Century Scholar in seventh grade at Avon Middle School North in Avon, Ind.



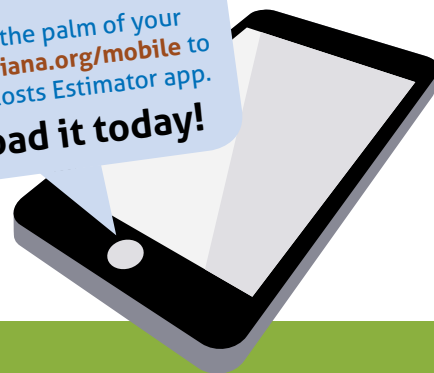
- Occurs each winter to help you **pay** for your future.
- Save for college and learn why good grades matter.
- Visit CashForCollegeIndiana.org for saving tips and more!

CASHFORCOLLEGEINDIANA.org

Get the app!

Compare college costs in the palm of your hand. Visit LearnMoreIndiana.org/mobile to get the Indiana College Costs Estimator app.

Download it today!



Learn More Online



Earn

Scholars.IN.gov

Find out today if you're eligible to earn up to four years of paid tuition at an Indiana college.



Shop

LearnMoreIndiana.org/costs

Comparison shop Indiana colleges and discover what you'll really contribute after financial aid.



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PUBLIC INDIANA COLLEGES

- 1 Ball State University.....D3
- 2 Indiana State University.....A4
- 3 Indiana University Bloomington.....B4
- 4 Indiana University East.....D3
- 5 Indiana University Kokomo.....C2
- 6 Indiana University Northwest.....A1
- 7 Indiana University South Bend.....C1
- 8 Indiana University Southeast.....C6
- 9 IPFW (Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne).....D1
- 10 IUPUC (Indiana University-Purdue University Columbus).....C4
- 11 IUPUI (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis).....C3
- 12 Ivy Tech Community College - Anderson.....C3
- 13 Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington.....B4
- 14 Ivy Tech Community College - Columbus.....C4
- 15 Ivy Tech Community College - East Chicago.....A1
- 16 Ivy Tech Community College - Elkhart.....C1
- 17 Ivy Tech Community College - Evansville.....A6
- 18 Ivy Tech Community College - Fort Wayne.....D1
- 19 Ivy Tech Community College - Gary.....A1
- 20 Ivy Tech Community College - Indianapolis.....C4
- 21 Ivy Tech Community College - Kokomo.....C2
- 22 Ivy Tech Community College - Lafayette.....B2
- 23 Ivy Tech Community College - Lawrenceburg.....D4
- 24 Ivy Tech Community College - Logansport.....B2
- 25 Ivy Tech Community College - Madison.....C5
- 26 Ivy Tech Community College - Marion.....C2
- 27 Ivy Tech Community College - Michigan City.....B1
- 28 Ivy Tech Community College - Muncie.....D3
- 29 Ivy Tech Community College - Richmond.....D3
- 30 Ivy Tech Community College - Sellersburg.....C6
- 31 Ivy Tech Community College - South Bend.....C1
- 32 Ivy Tech Community College - Terre Haute.....A4
- 33 Ivy Tech Community College - Valparaiso.....B1
- 34 Ivy Tech Community College - Warsaw.....C1
- 35 Purdue University West Lafayette.....B2
- 36 Purdue University Calumet.....A1
- 37 Purdue University North Central.....B1
- 38 University of Southern Indiana.....A6
- 39 Vincennes University.....A5
- 40 Vincennes University Jasper.....B5

PRIVATE INDIANA COLLEGES*

- 1 Ancilla College.....C1
- 2 Anderson University.....C3
- 3 Bethel College.....C1
- 4 Butler University.....C3
- 5 Calumet College of St. Joseph.....A1
- 6 DePauw University.....B4
- 7 Earlham College.....D3
- 8 Franklin College.....C4
- 9 Goshen College.....C1
- 10 Grace College.....C1
- 11 Hanover College.....D5
- 12 Holy Cross College.....C1
- 13 Huntington University.....D2
- 14 Indiana Tech.....D1
- 15 Indiana Wesleyan University.....C2
- 16 Manchester University.....C2
- 17 Marian University.....C4
- 18 Martin University.....C4
- 19 Oakland City University.....A6
- 20 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.....A4
- 21 Saint Joseph's College.....B2
- 22 Saint Mary's College.....C1
- 23 Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.....A4
- 24 Taylor University.....D2
- 25 Trine University.....D1
- 26 University of Evansville.....A6
- 27 University of Indianapolis.....C4
- 28 University of Notre Dame.....C1
- 29 University of Saint Francis.....D2
- 30 Valparaiso University.....B1
- 31 Wabash College.....B3
- 32 WGU Indiana.....online at indiana.wgu.edu

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